



# LONG TERM MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

## Meeting Highlights, Decisions and Tasks LTMS Science Assessment and Data Gaps Work Group Meeting 3/10/11

### FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Thursday, April 14, from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM at Anchor QEA, L.P.
- Tuesday, May 24, from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM at BCDC
- Thursday, June 23, from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM at BCDC

### MEETING ATTENDEES

Scott Bodensteiner – Weston Solutions (phone)	Sandra Hamlat – BCDC
Carolynn Box – BCDC	Jim Haussener – CMANC (phone)
Bill Brostoff – USACE	Pete LaCivita – USACE
Katie Chamberlin – Anchor QEA, L.P.	Ashley Otherson – Anchor QEA, L.P.
Mark D'Avignon – USACE	Anne Whittington – Port of Oakland (phone)

### UPDATES ON FUNDED STUDIES

- **Update to the Framework Document.** A draft document will be ready this summer.
- **Longfin smelt.** SFEI will submit a draft report this summer.
- **Least tern.** USACE expects to receive a revised draft report soon.
- **Fish tagging and tracking.** Revised 2006-2008 and 2008-2009 study reports should be available soon. USACE received an interim draft of the 2010 fish tracking results, which indicated that, despite the wetter year, fish moved quickly through the Bay.
- **Fish behavior during dredging operations.** ERDC completed field work for this study during the dredging of the Richmond Outer Harbor and is developing a study summary.
- **Herring and dredging risk analysis.** This contract has not yet been issued due to funding.
- **Ongoing herring.** A draft herring report is expected this September.
- **Suspended sediments and Fish behavior reports.** These reports were recently submitted to USACE and will soon be circulated for review.
- **Tools for fish behavior.** The contractor will finalize this report soon.
- **Submerged aquatic vegetation and dredging and PCB and PAH update symposia.** These symposia are on hold until the program managers approve scheduling them. Given the potential lack of funding for the LTMS in the future, Bill will contact the program managers to assess their interest in conducting these symposia this summer.

### PRESENTATION: LONGFIN SMELT STUDY

In the event that the LTMS is funded for 2012, potential study topics may include: another year of fish tracking; a least tern study; a longfin smelt study; and studies identified in the updates Framework Document. It is likely that USACE's contracting division will shut down for new contracts on June 30.

### ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

1. Bill to contact the LTMS Program Managers to assess their interest in conducting the symposia this summer.



2. Bill to email Alice and provide her with any necessary information to finalize the Tools for Fish Behavior report.
3. Katie/Ashley to post study summaries on the webpage (from the 2010 study summary document).
4. Katie/Ashley to ask SFEI to call into the Science Work Group meeting in April to help identify data gaps for potential future study topics.
5. Katie to check in with Brenda on the status of the *Environmental Windows Draft Work Plan*.